Santa Clara County Environmental Health Corrective Action Status Report December 4, 2006

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 Deficiency: The CUPA is not inspecting all Hazardous Waste Generators in their Jurisdiction in accordance with their stated inspection frequency (every 3 years).

CUPA Corrective Action: It continues to be Santa Clara County's internal goal to maintain stated frequency of once every three years as an important factor to have a strong presence within our regulated hazardous waste generator businesses.

I am pleased to report that we have met our goal in the first 5 months into fiscal year 06/07. Of the 4022 Hazardous Waste Generators that we have, 556 inspections were conducted. Based on a five months period, it shows a 33% inspection frequency. By the end of December 31, 2006, our goal is to inspect at least 114 more businesses which would give us a forecasted total of 670 inspections and maintain a 33% inspection frequency.

An increase in the number of inspections conducted is partly due to two inspectors completing their training. We also plan to fill a vacancy in the next few months. In addition, classes offering Hazardous Waste Management training to regulators were held in August and November with a total of 76 attendees. We will continue to strive for meeting our goals.